

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (CDFA) CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CFMAC)

April 17, 2013 Meeting Minutes Continuance of April 10, 2013 Meeting Teleconference

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ben Feldman
Charles Barth
Dale Whitney
Diana Rodgers
Jeffrey Pylman
Jennifer McColm
Karen Wetzel Schott
Leah Smith
Mark Anderson
Michael Broadhurst
Ronald Phillips
Silvia Prevedelli
William Lewis

MEMBERS ABSENT

Carol Arnold
Deborah Yashar
Jacquelyne Byers
Kurt Floren
Mary Lou Weiss

INTERESTED PARTIES

John Silveira, Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association

CDFA

Steve Patton John Pedigo Sarah Cardoni

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL

Ms. Karen Wetzel Schott, Chairperson, reconvened the April 10, 2013 Meeting at 9:05 a.m. Roll was called and a quorum was established.

ITEM 2: LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Committee continued its evaluation of AB-996 Agricultural products: direct marketing: certified farmers' markets (CFM) (2013-2014) introduced by Assembly Member Dickinson.

MOTION: Ms. Diana Rodgers moved to support Section 10. 47004. (a) CFMs are California agricultural product outlets that are registered under the provisions of Section 47020. Mr. William Lewis seconded the motion. Motion failed – six in favor, two opposed, five abstaining.

The Committee had general agreement of Section 10, 47004, (b),

MOTION: Mr. Whitney motioned to reconsider Section 10. 47004. (c) (1) and (2). Ms. Jennifer McColm seconded the motion. Motion carried – eleven in favor, two opposed.

MOTION: Mr. Whitney motioned to overturn the motion to not support Section 10. 47004. (c) (1) thus supporting this section as written. Mr. Mark Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried – nine in favor, four opposed.

MOTION: Mr. Ronald Phillips motioned to support Section 10. 47004. (c) (2) as written. Ms. McColm seconded the motion. Motion carried – ten in favor, three opposed.

The Committee had general agreement of Section 10. 47004. (c) (3).

MOTION: Ms. Smith motioned to support Section 10. 47004. (c) (4) with a recommendation to add 'certified and/or registered' as organic. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Committee had general agreement of Section 10. 47004. (d).

MOTION: Ms. Rodgers motioned to not support Section 10. 47004. (e) allowing an exception of fresh whole produce considered tropical to be sold adjacent to CFM. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried – eleven in favor, two abstaining.

The Committee had general agreement of Section 10. 47004. (f), (g), and (h).

MOTION: Ms. Smith motioned to not support the repeal of Section 9. 47004. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion. Motion carried – seven in favor, one opposed, and five abstaining.

The Committee had general agreement over the repeal of Section 11. 47004.1.

MOTION: Ms. Smith motioned to not support Section 12. 47010. (a). Ms. Rodgers seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Committee had general agreement of Section 13, 47011, and Section 14, 47014.

The Committee had general agreement of the repeal of Section 15. 47020.

MOTION: Ms. Smith motioned to support Section 16. 47020. with a recommendation to retain the current county agricultural commissioner's certification process and to add the requirement of annual inspections for producers found in violation. Mr. Michael Broadhurst seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MOTION: Ms. Smith motioned to not support Section 17. 47020.5. allowing for producer consignment sales. Mr. Ben Feldman seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Committee was not in agreement of Section 18, 47021.

MOTION: Ms. Smith motioned to support Section 19. 47021.5. with a recommendation of a fee of \$1.50 for each certified producer and agricultural producer on each market day. Mr. Phillips seconded the motioned. Motion failed – six in favor, three opposed, and four abstaining.

MOTION: Ms. Smith motioned to not support Section 20. 47055. Mr. Broadhurst seconded the motion. Motion carried – nine in favor and four abstaining.

The Chairperson will draft a letter to the CDFA Secretary outlining the Committee's positions on the proposed legislation discussed. AB-996 will be heard in the California State Assembly on May 1, 2013.

ITEM 3: NEW BUSINESS

This agenda item was not discussed.

ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ITEM 5: NEXT MEETING/AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting will be held in October 2013.

ITEM 6: ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. by Ms. Wetzel Schott, Chairperson.

Respectfully submitted by:

Steve Patton, Branch Chief

Inspection and Compliance Branch

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